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Trout Value of Sales Decreased 6 Percent from 2018

The total value of fish sales received by trout growers in the United States totaled 95.6 million dollars for 2019, a decrease of 6 percent from 2018. Idaho accounted for 39 percent of the total value of fish sold.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer sold during 2019 totaled 32.4 million fish, down 10 percent from the previous year. The average price per pound was \$1.96, a 2 percent increase from the previous year. The value of sales for the 2019 marketing year was 85.8 million dollars, down 6 percent from 2018. For trout 12 inches or longer, 55 percent were sold to processors.

The number of 6"- 12" trout sold during 2019 totaled 9.10 million fish, an increase of 13 percent from 2018. The average price per pound was \$3.86 during 2019, up 4 percent from the 2018 price. The total value of sales was 8.42 million dollars during 2019, a 3 percent increase from the previous year. The major sales outlets for 6"-12" trout were for recreational stocking accounting for 52 percent of total sales, followed by wholesale to other producers with 24 percent.

The number of 1"- 6" trout sold during 2019 totaled 5.74 million, a decrease of 15 percent from the previous year. The average value per 1,000 fish was \$228 during 2019, up from \$206 in 2018. The total value of sales was 1.31 million dollars, down 5 percent from last year's total.

Distributed Trout

Trout distributed for restoration, conservation, enhancement, or recreational purposes, primarily by State and Federal hatcheries, included 8.41 million 12" or longer fish, 66.1 million 6"- 12" fish, and 48.0 million 1"- 6" fish. The estimated value of fish distributed totaled 136 million dollars, up 6 percent from 2018.

Trout Losses

Total losses of all trout intended for sale were 32.0 million fish during 2019. Disease accounted for 88 percent of these losses.

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